IIT's conclave discusses current academic system's pros and cons

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INDORE: Around 20 companies assembled at IIT-Indore's Academia Conclave held here on Saturday.

The conclave aims at introducing the academia to the industry and its ideas and perspectives. The company representatives talked about the scope for research ideas in their companies. Around 350 students of semester six attended the conclave.

The conclave was inaugurated by Prof AS Khanna, co-ordinator of research mobilisation, IIT-I. He talked about the research and development at IIT and also discussed the future plans in collaboration. Prof Pradeep Mathur, Director of IIT-I then talked about IIT and its



* Students of IIT at the Academia Conclave on Saturday.

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vision for innovation.

The conclave has been divided into four sessions for the four streams of engineering. In the two-day programme, two sessions will be held on each day. The sessions for Computer Science

Engineering/Information technology and Electrical/Electronics Engineering were held on Saturday and the sessions for Mechanical Engineering and Basic Sciences will be held today.

A panel discussion was held

on the theme of 'Whether the current academic system provides students with the required skill sets and what modifications can be made to improve it.' This discussion was co-ordinated by Dr Tridib Sarma, Assistant Professor, Chemistry, and IIT-I.

Companies which attended the conclave are Microsoft, IBM India, TCS, Impetus, Xillinx, NHDC, CSC, MCTE, Mahindra two-wheelers, Scientech Technologies. CoreEL Technologies. Freescale Semiconductors. National Instruments, Sasken Communications Technologies, Shree Cement, GAIL, Cummins, Volvo Eicher Commercial Vehicles, Siemens Industry Software, Piramal Health Care, Thermo Fisher Scientific and RRCAT.